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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 1, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 54 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace the first occurrence of the claim numbered 22, on page 154 of the specification, with the correctly numbered claim 21 and claims 53, 66, 68 and 76 as follows:

21. (Amended) A vehicle parking assist device comprising:

a camera for picking up an image of a backward area of a vehicle;

display means for displaying the image picked up by the camera;

obstacle sensor for detecting presence or absence of an obstacle in the

backward-area of the vehicle;

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